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The \$5 Coke (in this case, Diet Coke) at the Five Spot on Myrtle Avenue.

THIS COKE IS \$5

For 25-ounce soda, Ft. Greene restaurant lives up to its name

By Dana Rubinstein
The Brooklyn Paper

They don't call it "The Five Spot" for nothing — because this otherwise reasonably priced Myrtle Avenue soul-food restaurant is now charging \$5 for a soda.

Yes, \$5 for a large Sprite, Coke or root beer — the same price as about a gallon and a half of gas, two and a half shares of Bear Stearns or a Barnes and No-

ble classic copy of "Macbeth." That's also 50 cents more than a Coke will cost you at The River Café, one of the most-expensive restaurants in Brooklyn.

Surprised? So was Kate Myers, who dined with her husband and 5-year-old son at the Five Spot on Sunday, March 9.

The family walked into the restaurant, at Washington Avenue, at about 3:30 pm, and ordered two notably reasonably priced en-

treees: the Clinton Hill Crispy Chicken Fingers (\$6.90), and the Five Spot Fish N' Chips (\$7.95).

And they ordered three drinks: one vodka tonic (\$8), and a Sprite for little Joe (\$5).

Let's just think the high price for soft drinks stems from a bottomless mug, think again. There are no refills — which Myers discovered when she ordered her son a second soda.

The bill came and we saw there were \$10 worth of Sprites," said Myers, still in disbelief. "If it had been \$3, I would have thought it was too much. I travel a lot for my job, and for room service, I don't pay ever \$5."

Malik Armstead, the owner of Five Spot, does have an explanation — of sorts — for the price he charges for a soda.

"Our drinks are, like, 25 ounces," said Armstead. "But most places give people only an eight-, 12-, or 16-ounce glass."

Indeed, two Brooklyn Paper reporters confirmed that the \$5 sodas were served in larger-than-normal steins, but closer inspection revealed that said glasses were filled with quite a bit of ice and had a false bottom.

Besides, Myers claims that her son's sodas were served in tumbler glasses

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Big problems at back office

Bear Stearns crisis hits Jay St

By Emily Lavlin
The Brooklyn Paper

Tremors from the implosion of Bear Stearns are being felt all over the world — and as close as Jay Street in Downtown Brooklyn.

From the middle-aged back-office worker who is convinced she's "expensive" compared to her similarly aged male counterparts, to the 15-year worker whose angry at the company bosses who "made some bad choices" that will almost certainly lead to him losing his job, most of the 1,500 based at

Bear Stearns' back offices in the Metrotech complex are facing dim futures.

"We're all fearful of not being able to find anything better [after we get fired]," added a third worker.

It's unclear whether Bear will maintain its Metrotech offices, but insiders say it's unlikely given that new owner, JP Morgan Chase, owns another less-than-filled skyscraper a few blocks away.

As a result, workers are filled with dread, fear and a sudden urge to brush off their resumes. Here are their stories:

THE CASTOFF

Susan Locicero, who works in the operations office, said that she and her co-workers expect that half of the company's Brooklyn employees will be laid off soon. And that puts her — a middle-aged woman — at a disadvantage, she said.

"I'm 53 years old — and that's a huge problem," Locicero said, adding that there is a noticeable lack of middle-aged women in the company's back offices. "We're seen as expendable."

Locicero, who lives in Bay Ridge, entered the workforce in 1982 and slowly worked her way into her position with Bear Stearns.

"I've gotten through women's rights and struggled to get men to see that women are competent in the workplace," Locicero said. That made it all the more discouraging when she was job-searching a few years ago and saw countless older men get jobs at companies where she was told she was too old to succeed.

"I've worked all my life. I'm damn good at my job," Locicero said. "And it's ridiculous that a 53-year-old man who is equally or less qualified has a better chance than I do at finding a new job."

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JUDGES FIGHTING FOR FREE PARKING

Will sue city to keep spaces in park

By Dana Rubinstein
The Brooklyn Paper

A group of Brooklyn judges is preparing to sue the city to preserve its parking privileges in a park next to Borough Hall, claiming that the removal of 20 or so spaces will endanger the judges' safety because the nearest garage is two blocks away.

The parking lot, at the corner of Jordanston and Adams streets, is within Columbus Park. The judges also park their cars on a public walkway next to the lot, but the Parks Department now says that the judges will lose those spaces this spring.

The 20 or so judges who park their vehicles in that section of the park would have to journey two blocks to an underground garage at 530 Jay St. The judges and their supporters claim that's a security risk.

"You can characterize this as a number of judges whining about privileges, or you can take a step back, recall the kind of world we live in now, and consider the kind of danger they're being asked to endure," said Councilman Lew Fidler (D-Canarsie).

As an example, Fidler cited some racist graffiti. See **JUDGES** on page 16



Members of Transportation Alternatives donned judges robes to protest court officials who insist on parking their cars in a public park next to Borough Hall.

WHINE CONNOISSEURS

Many theories why Williamsburg leads city in 311 calls



Williamsburg and Greenpoint lead Brooklyn in the number of complaints phoned in to the city's 311 system — and everyone, including from left John Moore, Evan Sobel, John Curry, Stephanie Monseu, has his own theory.

By Ben Muessig
The Brooklyn Paper

Williamsburg and Greenpoint residents are the biggest complainers in the borough, new statistics show — and the data has locals wondering who is doing all the whining.

Residents filed a whopping 8,900 complaints through 311 since July, according to Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications statistics — 500 more reports than the next-whiniest neighborhood, Canarsie.

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Who's to blame for all the whining? Let the finger-pointing begin!

"The people who are complaining are the suburbanites who just moved here and aren't ready to actually live in the city," said Josh Nelkin, an engineer who has lived in Greenpoint for the past two and a half years. "It's those kids whose parents are paying their rent — they're the whiners, not the longtime residents."

Forget the kids — it's the Yuppies who are to blame, others said.

"With all of the condos going up, I bet it's the people that move here from Manhattan that are complaining so much," said John Moore, who was recently evicted from his loft in the artist-

friendly building at 475 Kent Ave.

Michelle Azagury, a Williamsburg resident for the past three years, agreed.

"I've noticed a whole new sort of people moving in — maybe they're the ones complaining because they're trying to clean up Williamsburg," Azagury said.

Others argue that you can't blame just the young artists or the slightly older professionals — you have to blame them both.

"The hipsters and the Yuppies that live here think they're privileged," said musician Evan Sobel. "They think they're entitled to things, so they whine and whine."

And whine and whine they did. Over the past eight months, Williamsburg and Greenpoint residents called the city to complain about everything from unleashed dogs and disorderly youth to illegal fireworks and public urination, but the biggest grievance in the neighborhood came from the residents filing 4,178 complaints — an average of 164 per day.

The most annoying noises in the neighborhood come from the residents themselves, with North Brooklynites calling the city 1,555 times to complain about residential noise.

"I certainly complained about noise when I lived there," said Samson

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Raise a glass to (and of) Obama

By Mike McLaughlin
The Brooklyn Paper

Some polls show that Barack Obama's campaign may be losing momentum — but Mr. Gallup and Mr. Zagby might want to drop by one Fourth Avenue bar, where the nation's first Barack Obama ale is selling as fast as buttermilk can pour it.

The Red Hook microbrewery Sixpoint Craft Ales is taking the optimism and hope behind the Illinois senator's longshot campaign and channeling it into self-destructive behavior with its "Hop Obama" ale, now on sale throughout the borough (if you can find it).

The brewery echoes Obama's own campaign themes by calling its new creation "an indefinable ale that doesn't add."

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John Rauschenberg, who is one of the owners of Pacific Standard, draws a pint of Hop Obama, the popular new brew.

He flashed pol's wife

By Gersh Kuntzman
The Brooklyn Paper

Police are hunting for this hoodie-wearing suspect who roughed up the wife of Councilman Domenic Recchia on Monday morning.

Kimberly Recchia had just gotten out of her car near the corner of 16th Avenue and 65th Street at around 7:10 am when a man in his 40s approached and forced her back into her vehicle.

The would-be assailant had his pants around his ankles, according to the Staten Island Advance.

Once back inside the car, Recchia and the man struggled, but she managed to hook the horn, scaring off the man.

Police described him as white, 5-foot-7 with medium build. He was last seen in the gray hoodie and dark sweatpants.

The councilman, who is trying to win the Democratic nomination so he can face Rep. Vito Fossella in the fall, would not comment about the incident.

It's been a difficult two weeks for Recchia. On Monday, March 10, he failed to show up for a scheduled debate with his Democratic rival, Steve Harrison.

At the time, Recchia's office said one of the councilman's three daughters was ill.

Anyone with information about Monday's attack is asked to call (800) 577-8477.





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Going green, getting green



Kevin McCabe of Aviator Sports (second from left) is presented with grants by NYSEDA CEO Paul Torino (left) and Joe Rendle from National Grid (second from right). Borough President Markowitz (right) was also on hand.

Aviator Sports' green energy initiative netted the Floyd Bennett Field recreation center grants totaling \$887,000 from New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSEDA) and National Grid (formerly KeySpan).
Aviator Sports offers indoor soccer, ice hockey, basketball, lacrosse, gymnastics, a health club, summer camps and sports parties for all ages.
Located at Floyd Bennett Field, on Flatbush Avenue just south of Belt Parkway Exit 115 and just north of the Kings Plaza Shopping Center. Call Aviator at (718) 758-9800.

'Meet & greet' at HSBC

The HSBC branch on Montague Street near Court Street, in Brooklyn Heights, hosted a catered "meet and greet" evening for customers to network with each other, meet some of the new staff at the branch and welcome back Bernadette Bloch. Pictured from left: Sales Manager Deborah Kozlowski, Branch Manager Richard Dodson and Assistant Manager Bernadette Bloch. HSBC is at 200 Montague St., (718) 858-2290.



Perfectly Polished boutique

Perfectly Polished is not your average nail salon—it's a great party and relaxation spot, with a happy hour! Their signature Tickled Pink drink (a pink lemonade martini) is complimentary with services during their happy hour on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, from 6 to 8 p.m.
Desiree Geppo (pictured) opened Perfectly Polished so girlfriends could relax and unwind after work, have a place to stop for a quick polish change before a night on the town, and have a hip spot to host a friend's birthday party. Taking matters into her own hands (and feet) Desiree has accomplished just that — she runs a quality nail salon with a boutique with a chic and girly-girl atmosphere.



"Everyone deserves to be pampered without the high prices of a day spa or the low quality of a discount nail salon," says Desiree. "We are concerned with your needs and preferences and will communicate with you about them."
The stylish décor gives an atmosphere of fun and relaxation. Guests feel as if they are hanging out at a good friend's house... a very stylish good friend who also does great pedicures. Perfectly Polished is the perfect spot for bridal showers, bachelorette parties, birthdays, mom's day out, boy's night out, or just your weekly pampering spot.
Waxing, airbrush tanning, and makeup application are also available.
88 Atlantic Avenue (between Hick and Henry Streets, Cobble Hill), (347) 844-9034, open 7 days 10 am to 8 pm (Sundays 12 pm). Visa and Mastercard are welcomed.

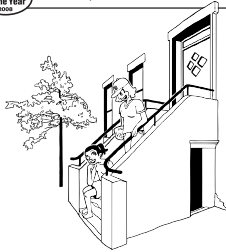
Clean and green for a cause

CleanGreenMaid's, a premiere environmentally-sound professional cleaning service, has joined forces with the Cleaning For A Reason Foundation to offer free cleaning services to women undergoing cancer treatments.
The goal of the company, founded by Hospice RN Yvette Maello, is to provide excellent cleaning services throughout the NYC area, improve indoor air quality, and support the local community through education and donation.
"Many of our clients are women, so we try to give back to those women whose personal health circumstances make taking care of their home a true burden," Maello said. "Housework is often the last attended to in efforts to focus on healing and family. We at CleanGreenMaid's understand the correlation between clean homes, clear minds, and enhanced overall well being."
CleanGreenMaid's has already performed 2,400 benevolence cleanings since its conception in 2006.
"We do our part in the way we know best — cleaning homes every day, and making a big difference," Maello said.
To refer a cancer patient for free cleaning services, or to donate your time and/or money, please contact CleanGreenMaid's at (718) 383-0875, or email McClean@CleanGreenMaid.org.

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BROOKLYN HEIGHTS

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WILLIAMSBURG

Con-Ed con-dos?

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Sudden construction activity at a long-dormant Con Ed power plant on Kent Avenue set off immediate alarms in a neighborhood antsy about the arrival of more luxury condo towers.

The Gothic-styled Division Street plant has been dormant since the late 1990s, but it's been buzzing in recent weeks, as workers have covered it in scaffolding and ripped several large holes in the walls.

Con Ed maintains that it is

performing routine cleaning, but many in the neighborhood believe that the energy giant is preparing to demolish the 102-year-old building so it can put the waterfront development site on the market.

"We're just cleaning up the site," said Con Ed spokesman Bob McGee. "There's a lot of speculation, but we're just cleaning up. There are no plans for development at this site."

But that hasn't dispelled rumors, which were also fueled by recollections of a similar Con



An old Con Ed power plant on the hot Williamsburg waterfront may be demolished.

Ed plant on the East Side of Manhattan that was sold in 2000.

In that case, Con Edison did not level the nine-acre tract before the sale to developer Sheldon Solow, who was able to purchase it for \$630 million.

He's now building a \$4-billion project on the site.

The Kent Avenue plant rests on a lot that is slightly larger than a city block, and its waterfront location could make it equally desirable for developers.

FORT GREENE

What you're looking for

Retail survey shows big needs

By Dana Rubinstein
The Brooklyn Paper

Fort Greene needs a bookstore, a baker and the modern equivalent of a candlestick-maker; a hardware store.

That's a central finding of

the Fort Greene Retail Survey, which asked 380 people what they most wanted to see in the neighborhood — and the result was a fairly uniform frustration with the current retail options.

And not just in the upscale part of Fort Greene. The Fort Greene Association, which conducted the survey, sought comments from senior center patrons to residents of the Ingersoll and Whitman Houses.

"We were happy to see that people generally wanted very similar things (despite where they lived)," said Steve Sachs, a member of the polling committee.

Here's a quick rundown of the results.

- In the "retail" category, 74 percent of respondents said they wanted, above all else, a bookstore — something Sachs attributes to the "artistic and eclectic feel" of the neighborhood. Fortunately for bibliophiles, Jessica Stockton Bagmala, the recent winner of a small business award from the Brooklyn Public Library, is considering opening up a bookstore in Fort Greene.

- Fifty-four percent of respondents said they'd also like a seafood store. Clearly, there is more demand than Duncan's Fish Market, on Myrtle Avenue between Clermont and Vanderbilt avenues, can handle.

- In the "restaurant" category, 57 percent wanted a bakery, and 46 percent said that the neighborhood needed a 24-hour diner.

- In the "services" category, a hardware store topped the list among 54 percent of those surveyed. A bank was cited by 43 percent of respondents. In an unrelated development, a Carver-Federal Savings Bank is opening on Myrtle Avenue, the second Carver (and the second bank) in the neighborhood.

- African-Americans ranked supermarkets as their first choice.

Most horrifyingly (for Fort Greene businessowners, that is) was this finding: Eighty-three percent of residents said they go to other neighborhoods — or to Manhattan — for better retail options.

Ludlow Beckett, the owner of Yu, a Greene Avenue home furnishings shop, said he wasn't surprised by the latter. "A large percentage do their shopping outside the area," said Beckett, who has owned Yu for eight years.

"Part of it is the new residents are coming from Manhattan and that is where they work or where they're accustomed to shopping."

That may be changing. After all, the Target at Atlantic Terminal is the chain's busiest store in the country — and the company is adding a second target in a new high-rise that's under construction on nearby Flatbush Avenue Extension near DeKalb Avenue.

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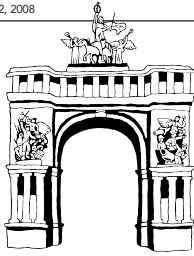
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A Park Slope homesteader

Tip O'Neill used to say that all politics is local. Who knew it extended to food?

Leda Meredith believes it does — and now she's on a mission to only eat foods that come from within a 250-mile radius of Brooklyn.

"I wanted a personal connection with the people who grow my food," Meredith said. As one of the members of Park Slope Community Supported Agriculture, Meredith already had more of that connection than most of us. A CSA is a partnership between a neighborhood and a farm. Windflower Farms in Valley Falls, New York, is this case.

Inspired in part by author Barbara Kingsolver's book, "Animal, Vegetable, Mineral: A Year of Food Life," Meredith set herself the task of only eating foods that are grown or raised within 250 miles of Park Slope for one year — no exceptions.

Well, OK, there are always exceptions. In this case, she has allowed herself to buy coffee, olive oil and salt from outside the circle (coffee from upstate New York? Not likely). And twice a month she allows herself to eat at a friend's house or be taken to a restaurant by one of them.

Surprisingly, though, most of her friends are so excited by her mission that they are trying to prepare meals that fit within her challenge. Meredith says her friends are on board because food tastes so much better when it comes from local sources. Of course, being a "locovore," as such people are known, is not easy. At first, Meredith said, the logistics required in hunting out enough local foods was daunting. And finding out which foods at the Park Slope Food Co-op are locally produced is not always easy (yikes! She's a Co-op member and a CSA member? She should get a medal). But now, seven months in, her trolling for local providers has become automatic.

Eating locally invariably means eating seasonally — and planning ahead (with the onset of winter last year, Meredith took to canning so that she would have some variety during the cold months). There are downsides, of course (her tiny one-bedroom apartment has cannot tomato sauce and jams stashed all over the place, including under her bed).

And after the year is up?

"I think I'll continue at about 90 percent," she said. "If I'm cooking a meal and am out of onions, I might just go to the nearest grocery store." Sellout!

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Wendy Ponte



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Heights church is the scene of this crime

The Brooklyn Paper

84th Precinct

B'klyn Heights, DUMBO, Downtown, Boerum Hill
A woman's wallet was stolen inside of a Monroe Place church on March 12.

The 40-year-old woman was picking her child up from day-care at the house of worship, between Clark and Pierpont streets, at 6:30 pm. When she retrieved her bag from the floor, she discovered her wallet, and \$35, was missing.

Bank rob

A note-passing robber stole \$5,000 from a Montague Street bank on March 10.

The thief entered the HSBC branch between Clinton and Court streets at around noon and passed the teller a note that said, "Put \$5,000 in an envelope. Keep your hands where I can see them."

The perp never displayed a weapon or threatened anyone, and the bank employee did as she was told — although she

alerted her supervisor that she was being held up.

Flushed with \$5,000 bills, the robber calmly exited the bank.

Hit and run

A mugger attempted to rob a man on March 10 at the corner of Front and Bridge streets.

The teenaged approached the 22-year-old man at around 7:10 pm on the DUMBO corner and told him, "Empty your pockets." When he refused, the mugger punched him in the face, cutting him above the eye. The altercation ended when a witness rounded the corner, causing the thug to flee.

Cash cans

A Jay Street business was burgled last weekend, netting a smorgasbord of valuables, including the unlikely theft of garbage cans.

The thief broke open the locked front door sometime between 5 pm on March 8 and 10:15 am on March 9, cops said. Once inside the business, which is between John and Plymouth streets, he helped himself

POLICE BLOTTER

88th Precinct

Fort Greene, Clinton Hill
Fake cops

Two more police impersonators struck on March 14, showing up at a St. James Place apartment with a "warrant," pulling out firearms, handcuffing one victim, and walking off with some of his valuables.

In what has become a frequent occurrence on the Blotter page, two men in their mid 20s claimed to be officers and entered the apartment, which is between DeKalb and Lafayette avenues, at around 9:15 pm. They even said they had a "warrant" in the 33-year-old tenant's name. Suddenly, they

Bullies suck

Bullies beat up a student leaving a respected Fort Greene Place high school on March 11.

The victim, a 16-year-old Bay Ridge resident, was exiting the building at DeKalb Avenue, at 5:05 pm, when five guys — none of whom he recognized — approached him.

"Who, him?" asked one of the guys, pointing at the victim, before punching him in the face, knocking him to the floor, and then punching him in the face some more.

The victim was walking near the corner of Wiloughby and Clermont avenues at around 2 am when the thieves struck.

He lost \$80, a Sidekick cellphone, and his driver's license.

Catch carjacker

Cops arrested two guys for allegedly stealing a Mercedes Benz from an Atlantic Avenue car wash on March 14.

The owner of the 2003 vehicle said a man riding a black 2007 Kawasaki motorcycle, drove up to the car wash, between Vanderbilt and Clermont avenues, at around 6:40 pm, parked the bike on the sidewalk, and hopped into the Benz as it was exiting the wash.

Cops later arrested two suspects for the crime, one 22 years old and the other 24.

— Dana Rubenstein

78th Precinct

Park Slope
Martha mug

A co-worker of domestic doyenette Martha Stewart was mugged at gunpoint as she walked home from the gym on March 10 — though she didn't know that the gun was a fake.

Police said that the woman, who lives on President Street, was between Third Avenue and Nevins Street at around 10:30

pm when the perp approached her from behind.

Her grabbed her purse, gestured with what appeared to be a black pistol, and said, "Let it go." She relented, and the perp fled south towards Union Street.

Minutes later, police said, he tried to mug a woman on nearby Baltic Street. But in this case, when he hit his victim over the head with the "gun," it broke in half.

Cops recovered the evidence — and the first victim's now-empty wallet — at the second crime scene. The 29-year-old woman told cops that it had once contained her cellphone, checkbook, cash, gift and credit cards, and her Martha Stewart ID card.

Big burg

A jewel thief got away with quite a lot after breaking into a Third Street apartment on March 14.

The victim said that he entered the unit, which is between Eighth Avenue and Prospect Park West, when the tenant was out.

When the 35-year-old victim returned at 9:15 pm, he discovered that his once-locked front door was wide open and jewelry was missing.

The thief also got away with a laptop computer and monitor, cops said.

Bite of Apple

A thief stole an Apple laptop from a 12th Street apartment early last week, cops said.

The 29-year-old victim told police that he was away from his job on March 12, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, from March 9 at 5 pm until March 12 at 9 am.

Stolen IDs

There were at least two more identity thefts in the neighborhood last week, cops said.

On March 12, a 28-year-old Butler Street man told cops that a man was writing checks and transferring money in his name.

The man stole more than \$2,100.

Three days later, a 31-year-old Union Street woman told cops that someone had acquired five credit cards using her maiden name. The thief rang up \$10,000 in charges before the crime was reported.

As in all identity-theft cases in the 78th Precinct, Det. Tony Sly is on the job.

Card job

A thief stole a man's bank card in a brazen mugging on Fifth Avenue on March 10.

The 12th Avenue man told cops that he had been walking between Berkeley Place and Union Street on the Slope's popular restaurant row at around dinner time when the perp approached, stuck his hand in his pocket and pulled out the HSBC card.

There was a brief struggle, during which the thief punched the man over the head several times, before he fled.

— Gersh Kuntzman

90th Precinct

Williamsburg, Bushwick
Piggy bank rob

Burglars broke into a Staggs Street apartment, snatching everything they could grab — even the piggy bank — on March 12.

The crooks broke into the apartment, which is between Bushwick Avenue and Waterbury Street, between 8:15 am and 8:30 pm, cops say. Once inside, they took a diamond ring, an Apple computer, and a ceramic jar filled with \$10 in cash, which contained credit cards, a driver's license, a passport and \$50.

Bread loser

Thugs shoved a man to the ground and mugged him on S. Second Street on March 15.

The tenant later told cops he victim just after midnight near the corner of Hooper Street and pushing him to the ground.

"Where's the bread at?" one of the crooks asked. "Where's your phone?"

With his hands scratched and bloodied from the shove, the victim fished over his Sidekick cellphone, his wallet, and a fancy watch, cops say.

— Ben Ruessing

94th Precinct

Greenpoint, Williamsburg
Berry bad

Two men — each armed with a handgun — burst into a Berry Street liquor store on March 15 and made off with thousands of dollars.

The gun-toting crooks entered the store just before 11 pm, shoved employees to the ground and pressed their revolvers to the workers' heads.

The criminals even knocked one employee out, hitting him on top of the head with a blunt object.

Victims told cops that the crooks tore through drawers and files before forcing an employee to open the register.

The crooks escaped from the store, which is between North Seventh and North Eighth streets, with \$4,000 from the register — and \$200 from the employees' pockets.

Eyes on prize

Two women had their purses snatched when they left their unattended in a North Sixth Street bar.

A thief stole a woman's Canon camera as well as her cellphone, passport, IDs, and credit cards from her purse on February 29. The woman had placed her purse on the seat next to her at around 9 pm and didn't even realize it was missing until a bartender discovered it in the bathroom, empty.

Then, on March 12, a woman stepped away from her bar stool to take a few photos at around 3:30 am. When she was gone, a thief pounced, escaping from the bar, which is between Berry Street and Wythe Avenue, with the bag, which contained credit cards, a driver's license, a passport and \$50.

77th Precinct

Prospect Heights
Burgs in hood

Burglars struck two apartments within a one-block radius in three days this week.

In the first incident, a fire escape was used to sneak into a Park Place apartment, which was cleaned out of electronics.

The resident of the apartment, between Vanderbilt and Carlton avenues, left home on March 10 at 9 am, returning at 8 pm the next day to find his front door partially ajar.

The tenant later told cops he might have left the window unlocked to the fire escape unhooked.

In a remarkably similar second incident, burglars sneaked through the front window of a Prospect Place apartment on March 12, took all the valuables, and then boldly walked out the front door.

The resident of the apartment, between Carlton and Vanderbilt avenues, left home at 9 am that day, returning at 8:30 pm to find the front door ajar.

Home invasion

Two men were busy burglarizing a Sterling Place apartment when the owner walked in on March 13.

The 27-year-old victim said she returned to the apartment, between Washington and Underhill avenues, at 4:45 pm.

She wasn't able to get a good look at the two men before they fled the way they had entered — through an unlocked window opening onto a fire escape.

Stoner gets hit

Cops nabbed a 24-year-old guy on March 16 for carrying a Ziploc bag full of a popular tobacco alternative.

The stoned guy was arrested at the southwest corner of Park Place and Underhill Avenue at 6 pm and charged with marijuana possession.

— Dana Rubenstein

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OUR OPINION

Judges out of order

The Parks Department has wisely moved to stop a dozen judges from parking their cars in Columbus Park next to Borough Hall and the state Supreme Court building.

This intolerable situation — judges parking their private vehicles on a pedestrian walkway in a city park — has gone on far too long. Even as Columbus Park has been spruced up, at great expense, the judges have been allowed to continue to commandeer not only clearly designated parkland, but the much-needed public walkway next to it.

Now the judges are threatening to sue the city to retain that privilege.

Imagine: Judges suing the city. To retain parking spaces that they never should have been given in the first place. Someone needs to step in right now and remind the judges of two of

their favorite words: "Case dismissed!"

The threat of a lawsuit is not without some irony; it's absurd for judges — who are public servants, we remind you — to sue the city that pays them.

And it's not as if the judges won't still get their free parking: the city has already promised them space in a garage just two blocks from their current digs.

Given how much anger the public has for public servants who get city-issued parking passes or "on-duty" placards that let them park wherever the hell they want, it's amazing that the judges have any support for their cause.

You can characterize this as judges whining about privileges — or you can take a step back, recall the kind of world we live in now, and consider the kind of danger they're being asked to

endure," said Councilman Fidler in defense of the judges.

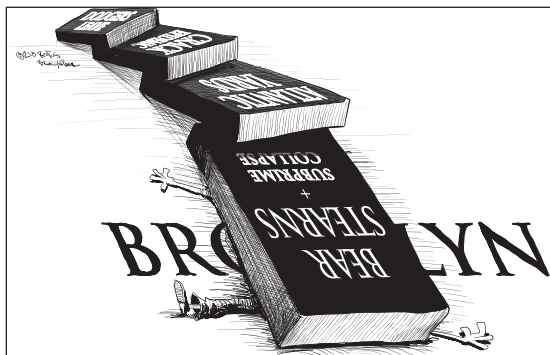
"Danger"? Walking two blocks from their new free parking lot instead of a half-block from their old free parking lot? And how, pray tell, is the world we live in now more dangerous than the world of the 1970s or even the 1870s?

And with all due respect to Councilman Fidler, no judge is "being asked to endure" anything. These judges sought these elective offices themselves.

We suggest that if the judges are afraid to walk the streets of their city, they should consider a new line of work.

Then again, if they're merely upset about losing their free parking, they have another viable choice: they can ride the subway or bus with the rest of us.

ALL DRAWN OUT



LETTERS

Readers go batty over our dog adoption story

To the editor,

At a time when our nation's animal shelters are bursting at the seams, the much-needed Brooklyn Animal Foster Network has been banned by the city ("Better off dead? Ban on Slope group could mean death for pound dogs," March 15). This is especially tragic because the Network worked tirelessly to find homes for hard-to-place dogs.

The city is eight years behind on a commitment to build two new shelters and the crisis for shelter animals is only getting worse.

Animal Care and Control Director Charlene Pedrolis should reinstate this fine organization immediately. Failure to do so means certain death for these creatures.

Is that what she wants as her legacy?

Wayne Johnson, Brooklyn Heights

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To the editor,

I would like to thank all of the self-centered individuals who lodged complaints against Laurie Bleier, executive director of the Brooklyn Animal Foster Network. Because of your bristled feelings and egos, dozens of innocent dogs will suffer death, as Bleier's group will be denied access to them for rescue and adoption.

Sure, Bleier is direct and maybe abrasive — but she has to be. She must pre-screen anyone who wants to adopt the dogs and cats in her care. When you give your adopted dog away, you are violating your contract with her group. There are no pre-screenings of those to whom you hand off your adopted dog. In fact, the Michael Vicks of the world use this very tactic to get dogs for abuse and death.

I adopted a pit bull mix from Laurie's group. The puppy is lovable and is part of our family. Laurie told me at first that she was not going to give me the dog because I seemed to be a bit flippant. But rather than filing a lawsuit against her, I sucked it up and told her that I was glad she related.

Bleier should be commended for her selfless work in saving hundreds of dogs, many of whom will die for the sake of those who complain.

Rich Pontone, Park Slope

To the editor,

It is tragic that the city chose to cut off Bleier's group simply because the new head of the Center for Animal Care and Control

can't get along with Bleier.

The animals whose lives are now compromised need Bleier and CACC to get along.

Karen Dattilo, Carroll Gardens

Ratner's lies

To the editor,

Forest City Ratner will not correct misrepresentations on its Atlantic Yards website unless hounded to be truthful ("Another Ratner lie! Gehry was NOT 'born in Brooklyn,'" March 15).

The Gehry misrepresentation is a case in point.

The Web site also still misrepresents that the mega-development will be "primarily situated over the MTA/LIRR's Vanderbilt Rail Yards." In fact, only 40 percent of the mega-development is over the rail yards.

Lost in this misrepresentation is any acknowledgment that additional acreage is being taken through gratuitous eminent domain abuse that allows Ratner to seize control of what will be.

FCR leaves misrepresentations on its Web site because it benefits them when press-release-reading "journalists" promulgate the inaccurate stories.

Witness the way the New York Times has misreported and then failed to make its own corrections.

Michael D.D. White, Brooklyn Heights

Stop delegat-ing

To the editor,

In 1983, the Democratic Party amended its delegate structure to allow "Superdelegates" to override regular party members' primary votes.

George McGovern, who was one of the designers of the system, said that this was to avoid putting a candidate forward who had no chance of beating the Republican nominee. Others see a darker purpose: election rigging by party insiders ("Hi! Bklyn superdelegates to rescue," March 1).

Most people who voted in Ed Towns's and Yvette Clarke's districts — where Obama won decisively — are unaware that both lawmakers have pledged to vote for Hillary

Clinton, effectively zeroing out their constituent's votes at the upcoming Democratic National Convention.

Do these two representatives feel they personally have the right to cancel out all of our votes by voting against our choice?

Many of us pledged to never vote for Hillary again after she voted for the deaths of hundreds of thousands of innocent Iraqis when she voted for the Iraq war in order to maintain her viability as a Democratic presidential candidate.

Gov. Spitzer resigned after hiring prostitutes — but nobody was killed by his bad judgment. Hillary's decision led to the death of hundreds of thousands, yet not only is she still in office, but she is being helped in her presidential campaign by Clarke and Towns, who say they are against the war.

This is a moral issue. I encourage Towns and Clarke to change their votes to support Obama. If they do not change their positions, then I would also encourage Brooklynites to work against them in their next primaries.

We cannot have "representatives" who represent against us. Our vote for Obama is clear, and so is their willingness to erase that vote. Why not give them a call or send an e-mail and remind them whom they work for. Hint: It's not Hillary.

Steve De Zee, Brooklyn Heights

Honor Ratner?

To the editor,

I am outraged that the honored guest at the Brooklyn Museum's annual ball is Bruce Ratner ("Bklyn Museum honors Ratner," March 15).

The Museum, in the past, has denied its facilities to events that were deemed "too political" or "too controversial." Yet, although Ratner's Atlantic Yards project has totally split the Brooklyn community, he gets the Augustus Graham Medal, "the Museum's highest honor."

Could it possibly be that the Museum is setting aside its rule about controversy because Ratner pours money into the Museum's coffers? Or am I being too cynical?

Chen Labine, Park Slope

CORRECTIONS

A front-page article last week about penthouse apartments at One Hanson Place ("Brooklyn's \$10-Million-Dollar View") suggested that the building's real-estate broker, Brenda Venich of Strubling & Associates, was comparing her building to One Brooklyn Bridge Park, another luxury building represented by her company.

Venich's comments, in fact, were made only in the context of her building, not as a comparison to the other building. The Brooklyn Paper regrets the confusion.

Last week's front-page

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March 22, 2008

'Field' of dreams

Heights rock club will be a memory after week-long celebration

By Adam Rathe
The Brooklyn Paper

Last week at the South by Southwest festival in Austin, Texas, Brooklyn bands were everywhere. From up-and-coming acts like Williamsburg's S-S-S-Spectres to major-label artists like Park Slope's MGMT, the borough was well represented to the indie rock elite. Lee Greenfield, an owner of the Brooklyn Heights rock club Magnetic Field, was in Austin, too — managing bands that were playing the festival — but for the first time in five years, he wasn't looking for acts to bring back to Atlantic Avenue.

On March 31, Magnetic Field will close after more than five years, leaving Brooklyn Heights without a venue for live rock music.

"I grew up in the Heights, and I always wanted to do something in Brooklyn," Greenfield told GO Brooklyn. "There was always a dearth of venues when I was growing up, and even in my 20s, you had to go to the city for music, but luckily that's changed in the past few years."

Opened in December 2002 by William Crane, the club was meant to breathe life into the Brooklyn Heights nightlife scene, to mirror what Southpaw had done two years earlier on Fifth Avenue in Park Slope.

"They were on the cutting edge of being a live venue in our immediate area," said Brooklyn Heights Blog publisher Homer Fink. "That was an important aspect, that they embraced live local music and that's something that you probably won't see replaced."

Starting out as a booker and eventually becoming a partner in the venue, Greenfield booked then-unknown bands like Vixtro and The Black Lips and also brought in the borough's barflies and bookish types with trivia nights and a reading series.

"My pool league met there on Monday nights, but I would go on the weekends as well," said James Vause, a Cobble Hill resident whose billiards team met at the bar for more than a year. "One of the reasons I loved having my pool team there was that they had an open DJ night, so when I was playing pool, I was also able to get time on the house speakers to play whatever I liked."

The space is small by rock club standards. The long, narrow room houses a bar on one side and a set of booths, raised slightly off ground level, on the other.

Pool tables live in the back of the space but are moved out of the way on nights when bands are playing. This is a real rockers haunt, not a megalith, but has managed to attract top-tier bands and solid crowds throughout its lifetime.

Keeping a rock club running, however, requires more than just a keen ear for talent and a penchant for planning theme nights; it re-



A 'Magnetic' pull: At right, The Apothecary Hymns played Magnetic Field in late February. Above, fans crowd into the venue on a Friday night to drink and enjoy the live rock show.

quires money and patience.

"Running a bar would be a 24-hour job," said Greenfield. "Even with a business partner, it's just a ton of work and takes a lot of passion. And that's not even considering the music aspect. We do a minimum of three shows a week, so coupling that amount of work with everything from the bar takes a lot of commitment, and you end up living on a very different schedule than the rest of the world. My day usually ends when it's getting light out."

He added, "A bar is the kind of business where when anything breaks, it's always a big deal. There have been a lot of bad nights." Not enough, though, to cancel out the good ones. "People always seem to be enthusiastic and being that it was off the beaten path, people really had to want to be there," said Prospect Heights resident Billy Miller, who played the club around a dozen times with his band The A-Bones, and even throwing a surprise birthday party for a wife at the space. "Lee and William have always had their fingers on the pulse."

MUSIC

"Closing Week Blow-Out" is March 24-30 at Magnetic Field (97 Atlantic Ave. at Hicks Street in Brooklyn Heights). Ticket prices vary. For information and a full schedule of events, call (718) 834-0069 or visit www.magneticfieldnyc.com.

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The Brooklyn Paper's Jeff Finkner

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With this kind of following amongst musicians and patrons, it's unusual to see a club owner walk away from his creation. For Crane and Greenfield, there just wasn't enough attraction left in Magnetic Field.

"William's a dad, and I manage bands, and it's been taking my energy away from the bar," said Greenfield. "It's never been just a job, and suddenly it started veering toward that possibility." So, while clubs across the city are closing due to rent hikes or impossible-to-get insurance or even lack of interest, Magnetic Field is closing due to ennui.

"We've had good landlords," said Greenfield. "It was just really time for a change. Keeping a club open is a lot of work, and we really needed a change in life."

For its final week, the club will host a slew of shows with bands including The A-Bones, Les Sans Culottes, The Miscreants and more. But after the dust from that raucous week has settled, where will Brooklyn Heights rockers be left to roost?

Fink predicted that "most of the people who hung out there will probably just go hang out [across the street] at Last Exit."

A fertile 'Field'

Since opening in 2003, Magnetic Field has played host to countless live bands. While some of them never made it any further than an opening spot at a neighborhood gig, some of the bands were launched to critical and commercial success. Here, co-owner Lee Greenfield counts five of the best shows, in no particular order, to ever hit his stage.

In 2006, **The Fleettones**, one of the last remaining rock bands formed in 1970s New York, played its 30th anniversary show at Magnetic Field.

Before San Francisco's **Voxtro** became indie rock darlings, they were honing their craft on-stage at Magnetic Field. Voxtro played twice in 2005.

Sharon Jones, last summer's chanteuse du jour thanks to her record with The Dap-Kings, took the Magnetic Field stage to join The Danettes on April 1, 2006.

Before the band got famous — garnering praise from Rolling Stone and Spin — for playing a dozen concerts in three

days at the 2007 South by Southwest music festival, **The Black Lips** rocked Magnetic Field in 2005.

Arguably the greatest garage rock band to ever come out of Brooklyn, **The A-Bones** reunited in 2004 after a decade apart and proceeded to play Magnetic Field time and time again.

The band's best performances, said Greenfield, were their appearances at the Norton Records barbecue parties that the club hosted.

TV

Polish Easter

Carroll Gardens resident Terry Corrao knows her own family's dining traditions — on Christmas Eve, she makes the classic Italian seven-course fish feast — but it's the rituals of her neighbors that she's truly hanging in to learn about.



Debating on Saturday, March 22, Corrao's new television show, "A Little Bit of Brooklyn," will focus on a traditional Polish Easter meal in Greenpoint, where Corrao, herself an accomplished chef, goes shopping and learns to cook with a local family.

"I was really smitten when I spent the weekend with them," she told GO Brooklyn. "We decorated the eggs and took the Easter basket to church for a blessing. It was very Old World."

Corrao hopes to continue exploring the borough's ethnic eating habits with future episodes.

"I'd like to do Little Odessa in Brighton Beach or feature the Norwegian community in Bay Ridge," she said. "The whole point is to see how families keep their culinary traditions alive."

"A Little Bit of Brooklyn" will air at 2:30 pm and 7:30 pm on March 22 on WUW/Channel 21. For information, visit www.wuwo.org. — Adam Rathe

ART



Beach party

Barbecue-happy Brooklynites aren't the only ones getting their backyard ready for summer. Over on Bond Street, photographer Robert DiScala is putting the finishing touches on the patio — as well as two floors of a 100-year-old house — that, on March 27, will open to the public as the Bond Street Gallery.

"I've been a photographer since I was 13 years old," said DiScala, a Carroll Gardens resident, "and as I went along in my career, I had an itch to open a photo gallery." So in September, DiScala teamed up with his friend Bruce Kramer, a Los Angeles-based photo agent, and began renovating the Bond Street space into what they claim is the only photo-specific gallery in the borough.

The duo have four shows planned already, but the gallery's debut will be "Coney Island of the Heart," a collection of Coney Island photos taken between 1946 and 2006, by artists including Harold Feinstein, whose "Blanket Toss" (1945) is pictured.

"We were discussing doing a Brooklyn-specific show, since the gallery is a first for Brooklyn," said DiScala. "I think the neighborhood needs it."

"Coney Island of the Heart" will be on display from March 27 through May 8 at Bond Street Gallery (297 Bond St. at Use Street in Carroll Gardens). For information, call (718) 858-2297 or visit www.bondstreetgallery.com. — Adam Rathe

NIGHTLIFE

Join the club

Raul Castro had been president of Cuba for three days before Nicole Davis named a drink after him. Made with 10 Cane rum and whiskey-soaked bitters, the "Raul Line" was one of two drinks being served on Feb. 27 when Davis, who runs BrooklynBased.net, hosted "The Cocktail Club," a monthly mixer aimed at getting her readers away from their computers and in front of one another.

"It's so common to know people over e-mail and not meet them face to face," said Davis (pictured). "So the point, for me, was to meet these people I send these e-mails to."

The bar will change each month — March's event will be at Sidecar in Park Slope — but that night at Huckleberry Bar, a swanky cocktail lounge in Williamsburg, 40 readers showed up to mix, mingle and network.

"It seemed to be a place where people got to talk about their own projects in Brooklyn," said Davis. In addition to monthly meetings of "The Cocktail Club," Davis's site, which has been sending a borough-centric e-mail newsletter three times a week since May 2007, is also offering "Cocktail Club" membership cards, which entitle the bearer to discounts at bars across the borough.

"My goal in doing this is that we read about these places but had never made it there," said Davis. "Basically, this is an incentive to check out these bars you're hearing about but have no reason to trek to."

"The Cocktail Club" will meet again at 6:30 pm on March 26 at Sidecar (560 Fifth Ave. at 15th Street in Park Slope). For more information, visit www.brooklynbased.net. — Adam Rathe

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March 22

On a roll
Dianna Carlin entered a magazine sweepstakes to make her greatest dream come true. Today, her winning fantasy, to open a roller rink in Coney Island, comes to life when she flips on the neon lights of Lola Starr Dreamland for the very first time.

6 pm at The Childs Building (3052 West 21st St. at Surf Avenue in Coney Island) HD Free. Reservations required. For information, call (866) 211-1629 or visit www.lolastar.com.

SUNDAY
March 23

Take a Peep
It's Easter, and if you're a kid — or just like one — there's nothing more exciting than bunnies, egg hunts and baskets. Check out "Nine Days in Brooklyn," below, for all of our religious services and family activities, and see the opposite page for delicious ideas to fill a last minute Easter basket that will thrill a kid — or a hostess with the mostest.

Just 'Perfect'
Tonight, Park Sloper John Sellers reads from his raucous rock 'n' roll memoir, "Perfect From Now On: How Indie Rock Saved My Life" — named for an album by indie darlings Built to Spill. Holding up lighters during your favorite passages, however, is not advised.

7 pm at BookCourt (163 Court St. at Dean Street in Cobble Hill). Free. For information, call (718) 875-3677 or visit www.bookcourt.org.

WEDNESDAY
March 26

PERFECT FROM NOW ON

THURSDAY
March 27

Brazil nuts
Grupo Corpo, the contemporary dance troupe hailing from Brazil, performs "Bren" and "Benguele," two works choreographed by Rodrigo Pedreiras, tonight at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. Preceding the show, Pedreiras will answer questions from the audience, such as, "How do you make people bend like that?"

6 pm at the Brooklyn Academy of Music (30 Lafayette Ave. at Ashland Place in Fort Greene). \$20-\$60 for show, \$4-\$8 for Q&A. For information, call (718) 636-4100 or visit www.bam.org.

FRIDAY
March 28

Grand finale
To celebrate the last weekend of the Brooklyn Arts Council's "Brooklyn Maqam Arab Music Festival," singers Samer Tabari, pictured, Bassi Touna and Ahlem will perform at Tarboosh Cafe, which will serve Middle Eastern snacks and offer hookah service. A dance party follows — till the clock strikes 12.

9 pm at Tarboosh Cafe (7222 Fifth Ave. at 72nd Street in Bay Ridge). Free. For information, call (718) 666-1632 or visit www.brooklynartscouncil.org.

NINE DAYS IN BROOKLYN

Compiled by Susan Rosenthal Jay

SAT, MARCH 22

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PERFORMANCE
GALLERY PLAYERS presents "Lystrata," translated by Dru Robinson Hagan. 2 pm and 8 pm. \$10, \$14 for seniors and children 12 and younger. 199 14th St. (718) 352-3101.
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DANCE: Chez Bushwick presents Almar Perez and Guillen Mont de Pal in New Dance From Amsterdam and Barcelona. 7:30 pm. 304 Boerum St. (718) 418-6405.
BARGEMUSIC: Classical music program featuring works by Beethoven, Brahms and Schubert. \$40, \$25 seniors and students. 8 pm. Fulton Ferry Landing, Old Fulton Street at the East River. (718) 646-2063.

OTHER
LECTURE: Nature Art hosts "Behind the Enormograph: A Biographical Note to Robert Smithson's References to Doubling and the Spiral." Susan Beebe for a lecture. 4 pm. 910 Grand St. (718) 772-7755. Free.
EASTER WIGGL: 8 pm. Zion Lutheran Church, 125 Henry St. (718) 625-2276.

SUN, MARCH 23

Easter TOURS
HOUSE TOUR: Take a peek into the past with a side show of the many historic houses in New York, from Van Cortlandt up north to the Conference House down south. 11 am. Fort Greene Visitor's Center, Myrtle Avenue and Washington Park. (718) 722-3218. Free.

WILD FOOD: Naturalist and author "Wildman" Steve Brill leads his Wild Food and Ecology Tours of Prospect Park. \$15, \$10 kids 12 and younger. The four-hour walking tour begins at 11:45 am. Meet at Prospect Park's Grand Army Plaza entrance. Reservations required. (914) 835-2153.
SELF-SUSTAINING 101: Salt Marsh Nature Center explains how to make your home more sustainable. 1 pm. 3302 Ave. U. (718) 421-2021. Free.

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Bigger flavor

Austin's Steakhouse in Bay Ridge serves up fine beef with finesse

By Lisa J. Curtis
GO Brooklyn Editor

While I get as excited as the next foodie at the mention of a new fusion cuisine or imported ingredient, sometimes, I'm just in the mood for a classic, great steak.

And when that happens again, I'll return to Austin's Steakhouse in Bay Ridge.

Sure, there are other steakhouses in Brooklyn — a certain legendary Williamsburg institution leaps to mind — but Austin's dining room has a casual elegance where other beef emporiums stubbornly adhere to a rustic, testosterone-heavy ambience.

With its cozy, clubby banquets; rich, homemade brownie sundae; and signature Red Delicious apple martinis, Austin's is as perfect for a night out with the girls as it is for an anniversary dinner at one of their candlelit tables for two.

And while chef Fernando Picardo — an alum of Manhattan's Mercer Kitchen — also offers a selection of fresh seafood — diners pass by a lobster tank brimming with two to eight-pound crustaceans on their way to the dining room — my husband and I were in the mood for seriously satisfying steak, and Austin's did not disappoint.

On a rainy Thursday night, I was grateful for the valet parking and was warm and dry when I slipped into a booth and sipped my sweetie sour — think Jolly Rancher candies — apple martini and waited for my date to arrive. Open since 2003, the restaurant has a following. The tables around me filled up with lively groups of young men and suited colleagues. (In the spring, patrons can enjoy happy hour in their outdoor cafe.)

A chat with my friendly, uniformed waiter filled me in on the recent visit to the restaurant by "Sopranos" star Lorraine Bracco, a.k.a. Dr. Melfi, who hosted a wine dinner there featuring her eponymous collection of wine. While Austin's doesn't carry Bracco wines, they do have a hefty list to choose from.

Austin's offers a classic steakhouse menu, with an Italian accent — fried calamari and fresh, homemade mozzarella are appetizer options.

We started off "light" with an outrageous appetizer special we couldn't resist: finger-sized slabs of fat-rich bacon with dipping sauces of bleu cheese, remoulade and fresh tomatoes.

While the bacon was finger-licking good and the dipping sauces are fun to taste and discuss, Austin's also offers truly light appetizers, such as fish and salads with housemade dressings.

Picardo's crabcakes are as large as your palm. The gener-



The big apple-tini: The signature cocktail at Austin's Steakhouse in Bay Ridge is a Red Delicious apple martini.

ous, lightly fried discs were a sweet blend of Maryland and Dungeness crabmeats, brightened with a squeeze of lemon.

DINING

Austin's Steakhouse (8915 Fifth Ave. at 89th Street in Bay Ridge) accepts American Express, MasterCard and Visa. Entrees: \$20.95-\$32.95. The restaurant serves lunch Monday through Friday and dinner daily. Subway R train to 86th Street. For more information, call (718) 439-5000 or visit the Web site www.austinsteakhouse.com.

Picardo explained that he's a fan of the Dungeness crabmeat because of its consistent quality; now we're fans of his enormous crabcakes, too.

Moving on to the main event, we opted for the "cowboy" steak — a rib eye on the bone — and a filet mignon.

The heaping slabs of beef arrived with nothing but a sprinkling of parsley and a good dousing in clarified butter. This restaurant is about the steak, and its narrow focus pays off.

The cowboy cut and the filet were tender, flavorful and generously sized.

Austin's offers the usual vegetables as sides but has more than mastered the recipes. The creamed spinach is certainly on equal footing with that of Manhattan's Palm steakhouses. Rich, thick and creamy, it's dangerously addictive. The sweet, crispy, Hercaulean onion rings are equally habit-forming — but even more outrageously irresistible when drizzled through the accompanying remoulade.

Chocoholics should pace themselves at Austin's because

the meal closes with an agonizing dilemma: whether to choose the warm brownie, studded with cherries and topped with ice cream, or the airy chocolate cake doused in whipped cream and drizzled in chocolate sauce. No matter which dessert you scarf down, they're both worth the extra visit to the gym. (Note to those without a cocoa addiction: there are desserts for you, too.)

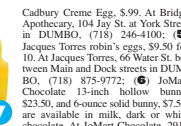
Austin's owners — Leo Sanjurjo, his son Robert, and Cosmo Veneri — are not from Texas, but their portions could certainly fill a cowboy with a Lone Star State appetite. Chef Picardo ensures we savor each bite.



A basket case

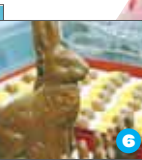
GO Brooklyn went hunting for Easter basket ingredients and returned with a treasure trove of delicious last-minute ideas to thrill the kids — or even the host of your holiday celebration. Add a sprinkling of shredded green paper and a few of these whimsical items to your basket for a heaven-sent gift.

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Cadbury Creme Egg, \$9.99. At Bridge Apothecary, 104 Jay St. at York Street in DUMBO, (718) 246-4100; (5) Jacques Torres robin's eggs, \$9.50 for 10. At Jacques Torres, 66 Water St. between Main and Dock streets in DUMBO, (718) 875-9772; (6) JoMart Chocolate 13-inch hollow bunny, \$23.50, and 6-ounce solid bunny, \$7.50, are available in milk, dark or white chocolate. At JoMart Chocolate, 2917 Ave. R at Nostrand Avenue in Marine Park, (718) 375-1277; (7) Russ Grow-A-Chick sponge, \$2.99. At Kaleidoscope.

—Linnea Covington



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CORRECTION

In the March 8, 2008 "Breaking Chews" column, we mistakenly reported that the Brick Oven Gallery in Williamsburg had closed. The restaurant is still open, and we regret the error.

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— Tina Barry, The Brooklyn Paper

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Like a prayer

At Deity, extravagance is next to godliness

By Adam Rathe
The Brooklyn Paper

Most Boerum Hill residents would be furious if a nightclub moved onto their block. For Caio and Kristine Dunson, though, Deity club couldn't be close enough; so in January, they opened the two-floor lounge right beneath their apartment in a building that formerly housed a synagogue.

"It's too convenient," Kristine told GO Brooklyn. "We have to learn to stay in."

But staying at home can be hard when after five years of work — restoring the exposed brick walls by hand, enlisting friends and family to help build the space out — you find yourself owning a club like this.

Unlike the precious restaurants and dive bars that dot the neighborhood, Deity has the sick feeling of a real nightclub; there are two levels (one is a lounge while the other is a dark dance floor), and a velvet rope. Except that at Deity, the cue is named by unusually pleasant bouncers who shout, "C'mon in."

As for the theme, "The name just seemed right," said Caio, perhaps a reference to the building's formerly sacred purpose. She pointed out that the motif extends to the restroom doors, marked "Gals" and "Goddesses."

But the first thing you'll spot upon walking into Deity is a slick-looking bar in a dark, sultry room. The paintings on the walls, done by local artists, give the space a sophisticated feeling, and the drinks being served — over 300 liquors are offered on the 21-page cocktail list — are about as far from a beer at the Gowanus Yacht Club as you can get.

This isn't another flashy, Manhattan-style club, though. On a recent Friday night, a time when the space would have previously held religious services, couples crowded the booths lining the upper floor, and at midnight, a steady throng was waiting at the bar. Ambient music played — the DJ downstairs, where more dance-oriented songs are commonplace, was still setting up



All in G & D fun: Boerum Hill couple Caio and Kristine Dunson opened Deity, a bi-level nightclub in a renovated synagogue, in January.



way in a welcoming space," said Caio. Unlike club owners who slap a few paintings on the foyer wall and call it a gallery, the Dunsons have been investing in Brooklyn artists from the get-go. The stained glass windows in the club are by Red Hook's Susanna Conway and the hexagon-shaped bar and black concrete-and-stone floors are by Clinton Hill's Joe Dunson, Caio's brother.

And the art won't just be on the walls. On the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, "Artists for Positive Global Change" will take over the space and hold a fundraiser featuring art and live performances.

And if that's not up your alley, stop by for "Gypsy Sundays," a party hosted by Scandelle that aims to attract the neighborhood's gay crowd.

"We want Deity to be a place where a person can feel comfortable and welcome regardless of their sexual orientation, color or religious beliefs," Caio said. Eventually, the venue will open itself up to outside programming, and welcome burlesque, live music and dance parties.

"My wife and I live in Brooklyn because we wanted to get away from Manhattan — not recreate it," said Caio. "Everybody is welcome."

NIGHTLIFE

Deity (386 Atlantic Ave. at Hoyt Street in Boerum Hill) accepts American Express, MasterCard and Visa. The club is open Wednesday, from 5 pm to 9 pm; Thursday, from 5 pm to 2 am; and on Fridays, from 7 pm to 2 am. For information, call (718) 222-3692 or visit www.deitynyc.com.

— and Caio greeted friends and collaborators, including DJ Scandelle, as they came in from the cold. Drawing a crowd like they do, the owners are hoping Deity can become a hub of the local art scene.

"Deity simply is an attempt to bring the Brooklyn community together in a creative

Coney Isle's roller girl

Wheels — whether a bike, a car or the Wonder Wheel — have always made a trip to Coney Island a bit more exciting. And beginning on March 22, that tradition will get even stronger when Lola Starr's Dreamland Roller Rink, a retro rink sponsored by Glamour magazine and Tommy Hilfiger, opens.

"My dream was to take a vacant lot in Coney Island and transform it into a roller rink," said Dianna Carlin. "I created the Save Coney Island organization to save the spirit of Coney Island, and [the rink] will do that and bring something positive to the community."

Carlin, who adopted the Lola Starr moniker — a nickname from her youth — when she began her fashion design business, has had a lifelong passion for roller-skating.

"I used to roller skate around my parents' basement when I was 7 years old," the Ditmas Park resident said, "and that's the environment that I want to create, to bring people into this other world, where their dreams will come true."

On Saturday, the rink will open with live music, a performance from the Gotham Girls Roller Derby, an appearance by Edward R. Murrow HS grad Maria Tomei and, according to Carlin, "all of the Coney Island characters."

"You are transported into another world," said Carlin, "and that is what Coney Island is all about."

Lola Starr's Dreamland Roller Rink (3052 West 21st St. at Surf Avenue in Coney Island) will open at 6 pm on March 22. Admission is free. For information, call (866) 211-1629.

— Adam Rathe



Roller girl Lola Starr



The Brooklyn Paper / David J. Phillip

Brooklyn on a budget

Just hours after disgraced Gov. Eliot Spitzer resigned his post last Wednesday, Borough President Markowitz kicked off Brooklyn's restaurant week with a startling revelation to his own wife, Jamie: He has secret trysts at the Downtown Atlantic Restaurant, where baker Fran Sippel dishes up what he can't have at home.

"She forces cupcakes on me," said an unapologetic Markowitz in Borough Hall. "She forces them on me."

And so it was with gusto that the Betsy launched the fifth annual "Dine In Brooklyn" week, from March 24–31.

Almost no cuisine or neighborhood is overlooked as diners will have the chance to sample three-course, \$23 prix-fixe meals at 189 restaurants all

over Kings County, including Fort Greene's Chez Lola, owned by chef Octavio Simancas (pictured). While the deals don't begin until March 24, most restaurants are taking reservations now.

Based on the free samples provided by some of the restaurants last week, one Borough Hall staffer knew exactly where she would sup: the Chip Shop, which has locations in Park Slope, Brooklyn Heights and Bay Ridge.

"Their mac and cheese is freakin' ridiculous," said Faith Fraser, adding, "It's a good deal — three courses for \$23."

For a complete list of participating restaurants, call (718) 802-3846 or visit www.visit-brooklyn.org.

— Mike McLaughlin

Obsessed with 'Love'

Sackler Center mounts Ghada Amer's first U.S. retrospective

By Adam Rathe
The Brooklyn Paper

There's one feminist in Brooklyn who isn't stumping for Hillary. Ghada Amer, a well-known artist whose first retrospective in the United States opened at the Brooklyn Museum on Feb. 16, focuses on the roles of women in her artwork, but thinks that Mrs. Clinton has already bungled her job.

"She voted for the war," Amer told GO Brooklyn the day before the primary elections, "and I will never forget that."

Equally unforgettable will be the work that Amer is exhibiting at the museum's Sackler Center for Feminist Art.

While best known for canvases with erotically charged images stitched onto them, the exhibit of Amer's work — called "Love Has No End" — will feature rarely shown sculpture, drawings, garden projects and more.

Working with Amer, 45, on a monograph of her work, curator Maura Reilly said, "I began to see this tremendous complexity and breadth to her work that I realized a lot of people didn't have access to, because it's not what museums and galleries have emphasized. What a great opportunity for the museum to show this work."

Comprised of 50 pieces of art, "Love Has No End" covers the Sackler Center's familiar ground of women's issues — Amer's work was included in the Center's inaugural show — but also touches on the identity of Muslim women. In pieces like "I ♥ Paris," a photo of Amer and two friends wearing burqas in front of the Eiffel Tower, the artist challenges viewers with a narrow view of how Muslim women live their lives.

"I don't have messages, I just have things that concern me. Women, the war, injustice," said Amer, an Egyptian-born Muslim who lives and works in Manhattan and Paris. "These are old concerns for



Ghada see this: The Sackler Center for Feminist Art at the Brooklyn Museum is showing "Love Has No End," the first U.S. retrospective of Ghada Amer's artwork — including "Snow White's Step-mothers," above — through October.

me. I did the burqas in 1997 and no one was doing that."

It's this fearlessness and unique vision that Reilly felt would make Amer a hit with the Sackler Center's audience.

"I think Ghada's absolutely a feminist," Reilly said. "We're very interested in looking at the ways in which feminist art is manifest visually from a global perspective. I think this is a really interesting

way to look at contemporary feminism." Pieces like "Barbie Loves Ken, Ken Loves Barbie," two straightjackets embroidered obsessively with its title — "It's a wild sculpture about love, desire, pain and an obsessive nature," said Reilly — and "La Femme," an embroidered and painted canvas that depicts a woman ironing, incorporate aspects of crafts into high art, making a self-reflexive glance at "women's work."

And while "Love Has No End" looks at selection from Amer's work from 1988–2008, a number of what Reilly said are the most poignant pieces have been created in the past few years.

"People who know her work really well will be surprised in the show to see a lot of her anti-war work," said Reilly. "Post 9-11, she's done a lot of work that has been pro-peace and anti-war. It's been difficult for any Muslim living in this country, so she's made some garden pieces and some paintings that have dealt with ideas about terrorism."

"We have a big installation called 'The Reign of Terror' which [is] really moving. It involves wallpaper...it's a huge wall that has hundreds of definitions of the words 'terror,' 'terrorism' and 'terrorized.' It's really unique and offers a great breadth of this brilliant mind."

And as for Amer, she's pleased to exhibit her wide-ranging works together, giving viewers a better idea of her work as a whole.

"An artist can do different types of work," she said. "I would like for people to know that I do other things: sculpture, painting, gardening. It's a lot of the same stuff but in other mediums. I have shown these pieces separately, but I have never shown them [together]. They've always been scattered."

Now that they're all together, what does the artist hope the whole will communicate that its separate parts might not?

"Art cannot do anything to stop injustice," Amer said. "It's not pretending that I can change lives; otherwise I would be a politician or revolutionary. I'm just saying how I feel about the world."

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9 DAYS...

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BAM: Brooklyn Academy of Music presents "Benguele and Brew," with Brooklyn contemporary dance company Grupo Corpo. \$20 to \$60. 7:30 p.m. Howard Gilman Opera House, 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 636-4100.

IMPACT THEATER: presents "Möbiusment." 5 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. See Mon, March 24.

WEDS. MARCH 26

TAKING CONTROL: Second Bay Bridge Conference on Aging presents "Finding Your Voice, Living Your Life, Taking Control." 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Breakfast and lunch served. Our Lady of Angels Assembly Hall, 347 74th St. Reservations required. (718) 748-0873. Free.

READING: Author John Sellers reads from his book: "Perfect From Now On: How Indie Rock Saved My Life." Also: Dean Wareham reads from his book: "Black Patches: A Rock and Roll Romance." 7 p.m. BookCourt, 163 Court St. (718) 875-3677. Free.

STINKY CHEESE: Learn to make cheese with a glass of wine. \$55. 7 p.m. Smith and Vito's Tasting Room, 268 Smith St. Reservations required. (718) 522-7425.

CINEMA CHAT: BAM Rose Cinemas presents "The Driver" (1978). Film historian Elliot Stein discusses film. \$11. \$7.50 seniors and students. 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 636-4100.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN THEATER: Long Island University presents "The African Company in Richard III." Play is based on the true story of an African American, who, in 1621, opened a theater for black New Yorkers. \$15. 8 p.m. Kumble Theater, corner of DeKalb Avenue and Flatbush Avenue

Extension. (718) 488-1624.

BARGE MUSIC: Classical music program features works by Brahms, Calves, Nagasaki, Handel and others. \$40. \$25 seniors and students. 8 p.m. Fulton Ferry Landing, Old Fulton Street at the East River. (718) 624-2003.

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BAM: "Benguele and Brew." 7:30 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

THURS. MARCH 27

SPEAKER SERIES: St. Francis College presents Carol Bellamy, president of World Learning. She discusses "Women and Children—Global Health's Challenges." 11:15 a.m. 180 Remsen St. (718) 469-5200. Free.

REMARKABLE WOMEN: City Tech celebrates Women's History Month. Four humanities department faculty members celebrate Lucetta, Collette, Rose Parks and Victoria Longstreet. 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. 300 Jay St. (718) 620-5470. Free.

OPENING: Bond Street Gallery presents the exhibit "Coney Island of the Heart." 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. 297 Bond St. (718) 858-2297. Free.

AUTHOR SERIES: Kingsborough Community College presents Dr. Howard Gardner, an authority on human intelligence. He discusses his book "The Theory of Multiple Intelligences." 7 p.m. 2001 Oriental Blvd. (718) 368-8296. Free.

LEGAL ISSUES FOR LATER YEARS: Presentation and questions and answers with attorney Judith D. Grimaldi of Freedman, Fish and Grimaldi LLP. Discussion focuses on wills, advance directives, protecting assets, Medicaid and Medicaid. 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Prospect Park West, Reservations required. (479) 296-2345. Free.

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Lystrata." 8 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

BAM: "Benguele and Brew." 7:30 p.m.



A new 'Islede'! On Saturday, March 22, BAM Rose Cinemas presents a live, HD transmission of the Metropolitan Opera's "Tristan and Isolde." "Brunch will be served beforehand in the BAM Cafe.

See Sat, March 29. Also, BAM Dialogue with choreographer Rodrigo Pedreira. \$8. \$4 Friday. BAM, 6 p.m. BAM Rose Cinemas 30 Lafayette Ave. (718) 636-4100.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN THEATER: "Richard III." 8 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

FRI. MARCH 28

FILM SERIES: Spoke the Hub presents "Dancers Movie Night with 'Pulse'"

(2003) and "Singer in the Rain" (1952). \$5 donation. 7 p.m. 295 Douglas St. (718) 408-3234.

ARAB MUSIC: Brooklyn Maqam Arab Music Festival presents "Coffee Shop Halal" featuring Lebanese singer Bassel Touman and Tunisian vocalist Aïmen. Also, dancing and tastings. 9 p.m. midnight. Tachibana Cafe, 7222 Fifth Ave. (718) 625-0080.

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BAM: "Benguele and Brew." 7:30 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN THEATER: "Richard III." 8 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

BARGE MUSIC: The Shanghai Quartet performs. 8 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

ROCK 'N' ROLL: Songs of the 1950s, 60s and 70s. 8 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

BROOKLYN ARTS EXCHANGE: First Weekend. 8 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

SAT. MARCH 29

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

PARK SLOPE WALK: Walking tour of the Park Slope and Prospect Park neighborhoods. \$25. \$15 kids. Green-Wood Cemetery. 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Call for location. (212) 290-3310.

REVOLUTIONARY IDEA: Fort Greene Visitor's Center offers a talk about the American Revolution and other uprisings of that era. 1 p.m. Mott and Washington Park. (718) 722-3218. Free.

GREEN-WOOD TOUR: Big Ocean Walking Tour hosts an intro to the history, architecture and people of Green-Wood Cemetery. \$15. \$12 seniors. \$10 students. 1 p.m. Meet at Green-Wood Cemetery. (212) 439-1090.

PERFORMANCE

GALLERY PLAYERS: presents "Lystrata," translated by Due Robinson. 8 p.m. and 9 p.m. \$18. \$14 for seniors and children 12 and younger.

199 14th St. (212) 352-3101.

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WOMEN'S HEALTH FAIR: Health screening for blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar and more. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. 127 Pennsylvania Ave. (718) 342-4296. Free.

ADOPT A PET: Animal Care and Control presents Shore Animal League offers puppies, dogs, cats and kittens for adoption. 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. 1130 2nd Ave. (718) 989-1862.

BROOKLYN MUSEUM: Lecture: "Harriet Tubman: Warrior for Freedom." Author Beverly Lowy discusses her

book on Tubman. \$8. \$4 students and seniors, free to members and children 12 and younger. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. 200 Eastern Pkwy. (718) 638-5003.

COMMUNITY DAY: Central Brooklyn Jazz Feet hosts "Arts-Culture: Satisfying the Needs of the People" at Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration. 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. 1368 Fulton St. (718) 636-6969. Free.

IDOL JAM NYFD: Idol Jam Live Support hosts a musical celebration of NYFD members to benefit the Detention Enforcement Association. \$20. 7:30 p.m. Kingsborough Community College, 2001 Oriental Blvd. (646) 294-0384.

OPENING PARTY: As part of its "Lystrata" series, Mott Museum hosts an opening for "The Teeny Tiny Show." \$10. \$5 students and seniors. 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. 123 Smith St. (718) 797-3116.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN THEATER: "Richard III." 8 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

BARGE MUSIC: The Shanghai Quartet performs. 8 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

SUN. MARCH 30

OUTDOORS AND TOURS

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE: Bay Ridge St. Patrick's Day Parade starts at noon in front of St. Patrick's RC Church, 9511 Fourth Ave. (718) 238-2600. Free.

PERFORMANCE

GALLERY PLAYERS: "Lystrata." 3 p.m. See Sat, March 29.

JAZZ: Central Brooklyn Jazz Festival presents Old Dan in "Stardust in Brooklyn." 1 p.m. Westlake Heritage Center, Bergen Street at Rochester Avenue. (718) 754-5250. Free.

MUSIC OFF THE WALLS: The Brooklyn

Philharmonic, in conjunction with the Brooklyn Museum's Middle Eastern and Islamic collection, performs a chamber music concert, "The Music of Babylon." Works by Cowell, Rabinarban and Odeton. \$15. \$10 members, students and seniors. 2 p.m. 200 Eastern Pkwy. (718) 488-5913.

ARAB MUSIC: Brooklyn Maqam Arab Music Festival presents "Answering the Call to Prayer: Arab Islamic Songs Traditions in Jewish, Christian and Islamic Cultures." 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Brooklyn Public Library's Central branch, Grand Army Plaza. (718) 625-0080. Free.

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Lutheran Medical Center

Lutheran HealthCare wrapped up a special Mission Week celebration highlighted by visits from the Rev. Dr. Mark Hanson, presiding bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), and Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz. The annual event helped to celebrate Lutheran's

125 years of continuing the mission and service of its founder Sister Elisabeth Fedde, who created what's known now as Lutheran HealthCare, in 1883.

"Mission Week is an annual celebration that deeply underscores our rich faith-based heritage, values, mission, and ongoing service to the Brooklyn

community," says Rev. Don Stiger, SVP for Mission and Spiritual Care. "Since Lutheran's founding in 1883, Brooklyn has been one of the most culturally, religiously, ethnically and linguistically diverse communities in the world, and we take great honor in re-dedicating ourselves, each year, to providing the best possible high

quality care to everyone of every faith, and every culture." The week's highlights included visits by the Rev. Hanson and Markowitz on Feb. 27.

Bishop Hanson officiated at the unveiling and blessing of the Sister Elisabeth Fedde tapestry, which she gave as a gift to Lutheran on her 70th birth-

day, Christmas day, 1920, just two months before her death. He also addressed a standing room only crowd in the medical center's auditorium.

Bishop Hanson commended Lutheran's dedication to continuing Sister Fedde's mission of serving the community. "She reminds a symbol of all of you who continue to serve," said Hanson.

"When I travel through the world, I will be able to say I visited a place in Brooklyn that treated people by the virtue of their humanity," Hanson continued. "Lutheran has been compared to a gem. Like a gem, it has many facets and is leading the country in a new health care pathway."

Markowitz also addressed those present and presented the

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Pols not in any rush to vote 'yes' on congestion pricing

Mayor Bloomberg's ambitious and controversial plan to charge drivers \$8 to enter Manhattan's central business district will come to a vote early next month in the City Council, where it faces a very bumpy road,

according to our survey of all 17 Brooklyn councilmembers. If the vote was today, Brooklyn would be 8-1 against the plan (with six undecideds and two councilmembers who did not return our calls).

ON THE RECORD

Charles Barron (D-Brownsville)

Will vote no: "I am opposed to the plan because it is a regressive tax on those who can afford it least. And I think it will create congestion [and] turn the outer boroughs into a parking lot. And I don't think the MTA can be trusted with the money — it needs more diversity on the board."



Bill DeBlasio (D-Park Slope)

Undecided: "The process around congestion pricing has been woefully inadequate. This is a dramatic change that is lacking a real public process. I am deeply concerned that there will not be substantial transit improvements prior to the plan's implementation. I am also worried about the plan's effect on low-income commuters and seniors. Lastly, it's hard to talk about charging commuters upwards of \$2,000 in additional fees every year when the economy is suffering. People need more money in their pockets, not less."



Erik Martin Dilan (D-East New York)

Will vote no: "I hate it. I think it's ridiculous to charge people to drive into the central business district in Manhattan. There are parts of Brooklyn that are severely congested, and no one is talking about that. And to charge people [in some neighborhoods] \$10 a year for a residential parking permit is nuts! It's free now. I also think New Jersey residents are not paying their fair share under the mayor's plan."

Mathieu Eugene (D-Crown Heights)

Undecided: "He's met with everyone — the mayor, other officials and his constituents — but he is worried that it would end up causing more congestion and pollution in his district," said spokesman Joe Placide. "But he appreciates the mass transit component. He's weighing it all."

Lewis Fidler (D-Canarsie)

Will vote no: "I don't believe that the way to pay for mass transit is to decide who can and

who can not come into the central business district of the city by discriminating on the basis of economics. That's one of 50 reasons. Number two? It's ineffective. If congestion pricing works perfectly, people will stop driving and it will no longer raise money. I favor a one-third-of-one-percent regional payroll tax. It would raise triple the money that congestion pricing would raise and share the burden across the entire region."

Simcha Felder (D-Borough Park)

Will vote no: "Until there are more details on exactly what Brooklyn will get from money generated from congestion pricing, I cannot support this plan."



Vincent Gentile (D-Bay Ridge)

Will vote no: "I need certain benchmarks ... including 24-hour R-train service, better bus service, restoration of the [69th Street] ferry, and an environmental impact statement. Even if these things happen, we also have to evaluate the track record of the Metropolitan Transportation Authority and the Department of Transportation, MTA, in particular, does not have a good record. They have promised many grand projects in the past, but have failed to deliver."



Sara Gonzalez (D-Sunset Park)

Undecided: "The final product has not been presented yet. Until she has had a chance to fully read it, she cannot say how she would vote," said her spokesperson.



Letitia James (D-Fort Greene)

Undecided, but leaning yes: "They've agreed to transit improvements in the district, but they haven't agreed yet to the feasibility study for the G train. I'm weighing my options."



Michael Nelson (D-Sheepshead Bay)

Will vote no: "It hasn't been proven to me yet that it will help the environment enough to

add this tax to my constituents. Even if tons of drivers stop driving stop driving into the zone, eventually, the majority will, little by little, start to drive in again. So that would lead to raising the price, first to \$10, then \$20, etc. So this forbidden zone will someday be only for the very rich. All commuters who work in the zone should be able to ride mass transit into the zone for free. And drivers from New Jersey should not be excused."

James Oddo (R-Dyker Heights)

Will vote no: "For me to vote in favor, someone needs to demonstrate to me how it benefits the communities I represent. Thus far, I am unconvinced."



Diana Reyna (D-Bushwick)

Undecided: "The Councilwoman is undecided at this moment. She is taking her time on it," said a spokesman.

Darlene Mealy (D-East New York)

Did not return repeated calls.



Domenic Recchia (D-Bensonhurst)

Undecided.



Kendall Stewart (D-Flatbush)

Will vote no: "The people from New Jersey must pay, too. I do agree that we need to find a way to get more buses, but parking permits are another no no. They're another tax as far as I'm concerned. And once they put a fee with the permit, the fee will go up."

Albert Vann (D-Bedford-Stuyvesant)

Did not return repeated calls.



David Yassky (D-Brooklyn Heights)

Will vote yes: "Permanent gridlock in Manhattan will make it harder to keep our city the financial capital of the world. It, along with improvements win mass transit, will help solve the problem."

DECONSTRUCTION

Pier clearing begins for 'Park'



Workers began demolition last Thursday of Pier 1 along the Brooklyn Heights waterfront, the site of the proposed Brooklyn Bridge Park.

By Mike McLaughlin

The Brooklyn Paper

Demolition began — for real, this time — at the proposed "Brooklyn Bridge Park" last week, even as opponents went to court to battle the housing and open space development.

The demolition began last Thursday on Pier 1, just south of the Brooklyn Bridge, without any fanfare — a surprise, considering there have been two "groundbreakings" since 2001 even though the 85-acre parkland, condos and retail development along the DUMBO and Brooklyn Heights waterfront never got underway.

Three days after the cranes started their work, state officials faced the Brooklyn Bridge Park Defense Fund in an appellate court to argue that the inclusion of private housing in the "park" is illegal and that the project's environmental impact statement was flawed because it inadequately analyzed traffic impact from the Atlantic

Yards development.

The Defense Fund is appealing a November, 2006 ruling that dismissed both those arguments.

"While this court is sympathetic to petitioner's position ... this is a disagreement of philosophy, not law," wrote State Supreme Court Judge Lawrence Knipel. Referring to the state's contention that the housing is necessary to fund maintenance of the park, Knipel added that the government's "determination that the Brooklyn Bridge Park should be established, but not supported at the public's expense, may be philosophically regrettable, but is certainly not unreasonable or unlawful."

After 30 minutes of arguments before the appellate panel, members of the Defense Fund left court feeling optimistic.

"I'm hopeful. I thought the arguments went well," said Murray Adams. "[The judges] knew exactly what they were looking for. We really did get a day in court."

He Wood if he could

By Dana Rubinstein

The Brooklyn Paper

Artist Arthur Wood said the city is holding his hand-built home Broken Angel "hostage" for \$70,000 in fines that the Buildings Department says he owes.

Wood's famous Clinton Hill zig-zag caught fire in 2006, bringing it — and its alleged code violations — to the attention of the city. That attention led to fines.

"It's extortion," Wood said last Friday during a press conference in front of Brooklyn Supreme Court. "The whole project is dead in the water right now."

No it's not, said developer

Shahu Andersen, who is working with Wood to transform the Downing Street building into 11 two-bedroom apartments (including one for Wood and his wife, Cynthia).

"The Department of Buildings gave Arthur some fines for building the original building," said Andersen. "We will have to pay a reduced version of that fine before we get a certificate of occupancy [for the restored building]."

Andersen said he expected the Woods would be able to move back into Broken Angel this fall — exactly two years after the fire that sparked city scrutiny and caused the long displacement of the couple.



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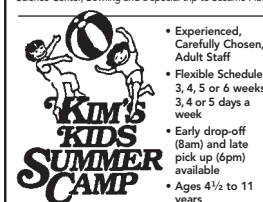
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Lately, Teen Spirit has been inviting his friends and fellow bandmates to sleep over in the apartment. Smartmom and Hepcat are thrilled. That's not surprising, they really are thrilled — for a variety of reasons.
First off, it's better than not knowing where he is on a Saturday night and getting worried when he calls from Brooklyn Heights or Union Square at 1 am and says that he's sleeping over at the house of a friend they've never heard of.
And these sleepovers give Smartmom and Hepcat a chance to observe and oversee their son's recreational behavior and enjoy quality time with him and his friends. With college (hopefully) lurking in the future, Smartmom and Hepcat want to savor every minute they have left with their only son.
These impromptu slumber parties actually make Smartmom a little nostalgic for her lost youth. Buddha knows, she has plenty of memories of that golden time, when she and friends would laugh their heads off watching Gilda Radner, Laraine Newman, Jane Curtin and Chevy Chase on that first season of "Saturday Night Live." Later, they'd fall asleep in a sea of sleeping bags in the den of her parent's Riverside Drive apartment.
Ah, to be 16 years old in 1975 in New York City. Smartmom and her friends felt like they were inventing the world of drinking beer and listening to jazz at the West End near Columbia University. It was a time of so many firsts: love, sex, Rosanne Rosamundina, gin and tonics at the Dublin House on West 79th Street (did every under-age Upper West Sider drink there?).
The future may have been looming in the distant horizon, but she and her friends enjoyed the here and then when it was the here and now.



By Louise Crawford

Saturday night is the time of the week when the apartment has been to feel like the F train at rush hour. And the truncated size of their living room (where) Hepcat now makes his office makes for tight sleeping quarters.
Still, Smartmom grabbed some blankets, their inflatable mattress, sleeping bags and pillows and threw them into the living room.
When she got up the next morning, the living room floor

was wall-to-wall kids: two on the couch, two on the rug and one on the hardwood floor without a blanket.
It reminded Smartmom of the time she and five high school friends went to hear a band called Deadly Nightshade at CBGB and afterwards all piled into the apartment of a friend on Central Park West where they all slept, chustily, in the same bed.
"What happened to the Noguichi coffee table?" Smartmom wondered out loud about the kidney shaped glass top table with the collapsible wooden legs.
"Oh, it was really heavy," one of the kids said. "But we managed to move it over there," he said pointing to a space right next to Hepcat's desk.
Hepcat will love that. Smartmom thought.
Smartmom remembers that freedom of being a teen. Sure, there were these obligatory groupies around, but the only

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FAMILY CALENDAR

Audra Rox will be joined by Toxic Muffin at a Saturday, March 29 concert at Southpark.

SATURDAY, MARCH 22
10 am: Easter Egg Hunt, Brooklyn Heights Playground (Columbia Heights and Thompson Street in Brooklyn Heights). Free. Visit www.brooklynplayground.org for info.
11 am: Easter Egg Hunt, Empire-Fulton Ferry State Park and park at the foot of Main Street in DUMBO. Free. Call (718) 802-0003 for info.
11 am: Art workshop, Brooklyn Museum (200 Eastern Pkwy., at Washington Avenue in Prospect Heights). \$8.54 students and seniors; free for members and kids 12 and younger. Call (718) 638-5000 for info.
12:30 pm and 2:30 pm: "Cinderella." Paperworks (338 Sixth Ave., at Fourth Street in Park Slope). \$5. \$7 kids. Call (718) 945-3391 for info.
2 pm: Easter Egg Hunt, McKinley Park (75th Street and Fort Hamilton Avenue in Park Slope). Free. Call (718) 238-6044 for info.
2 pm: Visual arts workshop, Skylight Gallery (1368 Fulton St., at Marcy Avenue in Bedford-Stuyvesant). Free. Call (718) 636-6649 for info.
SUNDAY, MARCH 23
12:30 pm and 2:30 pm: "Cinderella." See Saturday, March 22.
MONDAY, MARCH 24
4 pm: Central meeting workshop, Prospect Park YMCA (357 North St., between Fifth and Sixth Avenues in Park Slope). Free. Call (718) 789-8170 for info.
4 pm: Big Movies for Little Kids: "Pingu On Thin Ice." Cobble Hill Cinemas (265 Court St., at Butler Street in Cobble Hill). \$4.50. Call (646) 243-2480 for info.
THURSDAY, MARCH 27
7 pm: Story hour, Brooklyn Public Library's Central branch (Eastern Parkway at Eastern Avenue in Grand Army Plaza). Free. Call (718) 230-2100 for info.
FRIDAY, MARCH 28
9:30 am: Family Friday, Brooklyn Arts Exchange (421 Fifth Ave., at Eighth Street in Park Slope). \$20 per family. Call (718) 832-0018 for info.
SATURDAY, MARCH 29
11 am: Art workshop. See Saturday, March 22.
Noon: Concert with Audra Rox and Toxic Muffin. Southpark (125 Fifth Ave., at Sterling Place in Park Slope). \$15. Call (718) 965-3135 for info.
12:30 pm and 2:30 pm: "Cinderella." See Saturday, March 22.
1 pm and 3 pm: "Asop's Fables." Impact Theater (190 Underwood Avenue in Prospect Heights). \$10. \$7 kids. Call (845) 797-1320 for info.
SUNDAY, MARCH 30
2 pm: Blogging workshop, Prospect Park YMCA (357 North St., between Fifth and Sixth Avenues in Park Slope). Free. Call (718) 789-8170 for info.
12:30 pm and 2:30 pm: "Cinderella." See Saturday, March 22.
1 pm and 3 pm: "Asop's Fables." See Saturday, March 29.

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— though the waitress might have merely made a mistake or put the drink in a more child-friendly glass for little Joe.
After all, said Armstead, jumbo-size is part of the restaurant's theme.
"A lot of times you go out, and you pay more for less," he said. "When you walk out of here, you're filled."
Generally, our food prices are extremely competitive," he added. In fact, they are, which is what makes this \$5 soda stuff all the more puzzling (not to mention the automatic 30-percent gratuity tacked onto our check).
"It just seems bizarre," said Emily Livadary, a Fort Greene resident who works in advertising, but has never been to the restaurant. "It seems like it must be a joke or something. You could buy an entire meal for \$5."

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